Town of Conway

Minutes of the Conway Planning Board Meeting, April 21, 2016

Present: Chairman Joseph Strzegowski, Mary McClintock, Andy Jaffe (A) and David Chichester.

Absent: Sue McFarland

Guest: John Gates, Sam Lovejoy, Christina Petersen (Land Agent for the MA Department of Fish and

Game.)

Chairman Strzegowski opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Conway Town Hall. The meeting was then recessed to allow for a Public Hearing to take place. The regular meeting then re-convened at 7:40.

1. The minutes of the April 7, 2016, regular meeting were approved as written.

- 2. Attorney John Gates, representing Howard and Jean Boyden, appeared before the PB to seek approval to break off approximately 5 acres from their farm property. It will be abutting their current adjacent existing house lot. The plan meets all existing required clearances, etc. and the plot plan was signed by PB members present.
- 3. In light of the recent decision by Kinder Morgan to withdraw their application to the FERC for the Pipeline, there was discussion about the several related and somewhat complicated issues pending before the town. Specifically, there is the Warrant Article for the upcoming Town Meeting, submitted by the Pipeline Task Force, requesting \$5,000 to grant to the Town of Montague to provide legal and consulting services to support their intervention in the Pipeline/DPU review process. The PB concluded that, if they proceed to hold the hearing and the Town of Montague will be a principal player, Conway has an obligation to contribute. The PB would then support passage of the Warrant Article. If the application is withdrawn by the Town Meeting date the PB would vote to table this Warrant Article. Motion made with a unanimous vote to approve.
- 4. Sam Lovejoy and Christina Petersen appeared before the PB to explain that Tiffany Davignon, of East Guinea Road, wishes to sell approximately 55 acres of her existing land to the Massachusetts Fish and Wildlife Agency. They presented a mylar plot plan showing the details. This plan meets all existing required clearances and the plan was signed/approved by the PB members present.
- 5. As a follow-up discussion to the Public Hearing immediately preceding this meeting, the PB reviewed the comments and questions raised at that session. This properly noticed Hearing was convened to seek public comment to changes in the existing Protective and General Bylaws pertaining to the storage of unregistered vehicles and amending the Solar Overlay District. All of this relates to Articles 27, 28 and 29 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. After due consideration, a motion was made to support all Bylaw changes as presented in the Warrant. Unanimous.

There being no further business, the members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

<u>NEXT MEETING:</u> The next regularly scheduled meetings will be on Thursday, May5, 2016, at the Conway Town Office.

Respectfully submitted, David I Chichester